

71 INTELLIGENCE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

71 Reconnaissance Technical Squadron constituted, 4 Nov 1954
Activated, 24 Jan 1955
Inactivated, 1 Jul 1957
Redesignated 71 Intelligence Squadron, 19 Aug 2013
Activated in the Reserve, 15 Sep 2013

STATIONS

Larson AFB, WA, 24 Jan 1955-1 Jul 1957
Wright Patterson AFB, OH, 15 Sep 2013

ASSIGNMENTS

71 Strategic Reconnaissance Wing, 24 Jan 1955-1 Jul 1957
655 Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Group, 15 Sep 2013

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Michael H. Larson
Lt Col Julie Anne Spears, 11 May 2015
Lt Col Eric J Bemkoph, 1 Sep 2017
Lt Col Heidi E. Nelson, 31 Jan 2020

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On a disc Azure, issuing from sinister chief, a lightning bolt Or, the point ending at a demi-sphere issuing from base of the first gridlined and edged Argent, overall issuing from dexter a fox Gold Brown, detailed Sable, garnished of the third, eyed of the second, its dexter paw upon the sphere, holding in its mouth a key fesswise Argent (Silver Gray), ward to dexter and downwards, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached below the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "71ST INTELLIGENCE SQUADRON" in Yellow letters. Attached above the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "NULLUS ASYLUM" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The fox represents the cunning of the unit's members and the hunt for targets, while carrying the key represents the unit's devotion to the mission and their existence as an intelligence squadron. The lightning bolt symbolizes the need for swift and decisive approaches towards meeting the intelligence demands which arise all across the globe. (Approved, 25 Nov 2014)

MOTTO

NULLUS ASYLUM--No Refuge Nowhere to Hide

OPERATIONS

The 71 Intelligence Squadron was activated 24 January 1955 as the 71st Reconnaissance Technical Squadron at Larson AFB, Washington as part of the 71st Strategic Reconnaissance Wing. It remained active until 01 July 1957 when it was inactivated at Larson AFB along with the rest of the 71 SRW. While still inactive, it was redesignated as the 71st Intelligence Squadron on 19 August 2013 and then activated in the Reserve at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio on 15 September 2013. They maintained a Classic Association Partnership with the National Air and Space Intelligence Center's Geospatial and Signal Intelligence Group (NASIC/GS).

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Sources

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